

**The Alabama State Board of Social Work Examiners
Board Meeting Minutes
November 10, 2015**

The regular meeting of the Alabama State Board of Social Work Examiners was held on November 10, 2015.

Acting Board Chair, Esophia Clayborn, called the meeting to order at 9:45 a.m.

There was a quorum of members present including:

District I representative Sharrie Cranford

District II representative Jennifer Venable-Humphrey - Secretary

District IV representative Amy Smith

District V representative Esophia Clayborn - Acting Board Chair

District VI representative Marilyn Colson

Ellen Leonard, Assistant Attorney General, and Executive Director Brenda Holden were present for the meeting.

Unless otherwise specified, all votes were taken by a show of hands. Proper notice for the meeting was provided to the Secretary of State and posted on the Secretary of State website.

Approval of Minutes:

A copy of the minutes from the September 11, 2015, Board Meeting was distributed and reviewed. Amy Smith made a motion to approve the minutes as corrected. Melanie seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Old Board Business:

- a. Brenda Holden updated the Board on the status of complaints. There are five (5) open complaints - One (1) will be moving to a hearing, one (1) is awaiting a response from the licensee, two (2) are assigned and one is awaiting assignment.
- b. The Board reviewed the listing of new licensees. Amy Smith made a motion to approve the list of new licensees. Marilyn seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.
- c. Jennifer Venable-Humphrey will be meeting with Dr. Garver to discuss monitoring of impaired professionals.
- d. The adoption of Supervision guidelines was discussed. The Board will look to the guidelines provided by ASWB for guidance and is revising the supervision contract and exploring how to register supervisors. Discussion to be continued.

Introduction of new Board Members:

Marilyn Latham Colson is the Director of Chilton County DHR and is the new representative for District 6.

Sherrie Cranford is a professor at University of South Alabama and will be the representative for District 1.

New Board Business:

Election of Officers:

- a. Jennifer Venable-Humphrey nominated Amy Smith as Secretary. Marilyn Colson seconded the motion. Amy Smith accepted the nomination and was unanimously elected as the secretary.
- b. Esophia Clayborn nominated Jennifer Venable-Humphrey as Vice Chair. Marilyn Colson seconded the nomination and Jennifer Venable-Humphrey accepted the nomination. The board voted unanimously to elect Jennifer Venable-Humphrey as Vice Chair.
- c. Marilyn Colson nominated Esophia Clayborn as Chairperson. Amy Smith seconded the nomination. Esophia Clayborn accepted the nomination and was unanimously elected to the position of Chair Person.
- d. Jennifer Venable-Humphrey will be presenting at the NASW conference in February. Esophia Clayborn will speak at the ACSW conference in February. Brenda Holden has also been invited to be on a panel at the NASW meeting.
- e. Amy Smith made a motion to accept the settlement agreement for VaShuna Jones. Marilyn Colson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
- f. Next Board meeting has been scheduled for January 22, 2016 to make arrangements for 2 hearings and schedule with the hearing officer.
- g. Stephen Spiegel made a request to allow him to be licensed at the LCSW level without testing at the Master's level was denied.

PIP Applications

- a. Iris Lynne Brown - approved for Social Casework, Clinical Social Work and Social Work Administration, denied Community Organization
- b. Willie James Campbell - approved Clinical Social Work

- c. Christy Rebecca Haigler - approved Social Casework, denied Clinical Social Work and Community Organization
- d. Martell T. Hall - approved Social Casework, Clinical Social Work, and Social Work Administration
- e. James Lyle Hickman - approved Social Casework and Clinical Social Work, denied Community Organization and Social Work Administration
- f. Michelle Lee Jennings - approved Clinical Social Work
- g. Linda Sue Mills - approved Social Casework and Clinical Social Work
- h. Kristie Ragland Ninesling - approved Social Casework and Clinical Social Work, denied Social Work Administration
- i. Samantha Nicole Pettaway - approved Social Casework and Clinical Social Work
- j. Louisa Tynes Skowronek - approved Social Casework, Clinical Social Work, and Social Work Administration
- k. Jennifer Patterson - wants to add: approved Social Work Research denied Community Organization, and Social Work Administration
- l. Tatum Elise Vincent - approved Clinical Social Work and Social Casework, denied Community Organization
- m. Anita Giannaris - approved Clinical Social Work

Other Requests

- a. The Board approved sponsorship of a booth at the upcoming ACSW and NASW conferences.
- b. The Board reviewed the end of year financial statement for 2015 and the budget for 2016.
- c. The Board reviewed the request of Ambroes Pass-Turner discussed and denied.
- d. The Board reviewed the request of Shirley T. Hamer discussed and denied.

- e. The supervision for Wax Flowers requesting reciprocity was discussed and denied.
- f. The Board reviewed the request of Emily Sparks discussed and denied.
- g. Esophia Clayborn offered a report on the business conducted at the annual meeting of ASWB in October.

Proposed Next Meeting Time and Location: January 22, 2015 at 9:30 a.m.

Amy Smith moved to adjourn the meeting at 1:00. Marilyn Colson seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Esophia Clayborn

Jennifer Venable-Humphrey

Board Chair

Board Secretary